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At a meeting held on 28 January, the Council of Ministers, passed a resolution on motion by Deb-Kociol, Minister of Agriculture and Agricultural Reform, to promote livestock production and to assure an adequate supply of meat and fats to the working population. The Council of Ministers resolved:

1. That the Resolution of the Economic Committee of the Council of Ministers of 7 December 1948 be ratified. This resolution, Program "H", on the development of livestock production covers the following points.

a. To expand the source of feed supply by better utilization of green pastures; an organized program of silo construction and conservation of feed; providing dehydrating equipment for sugar mills to utilize waste for feed; increased production of meal from meat scraps, meat bones, fish and other materials required in cattle raising; setting up of mechanical dehydrating plants, and systematic distribution of concentrates to small producers through the agency of the rural cooperative "Samopoc Chlopska" (Peasant Self-Help) and the cooperative dairies.

b. To systematize production and increase its quality by organized professional instruction on feeding and breeding hogs; setting up feeding consultation stations; systematic control of the milk production of cattle; extension of the network of breeding stations; increased production of breeding stock, cattle and hogs; enlarged network of cooperative dairies and collection depots.

The sum of 4,747,000,000 zlotys is allocated in the investment plan and 1,472,000,000 in the budget to increase livestock product on small farms and state farms.

2. That, in conjunction with the resolution of the Economic Committee of the Council of Ministers of 28 January 1949, a large-scale program of contract breeding of hogs on small- and medium-sized farms be initiated with the following stipulations:

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- a. To contract at least one million hogs in 1949.
 - b. To observe in the contracting program current prices paid by the Central Meat Board in each individual region.
 - c. To pay producers a premium of 1,000 zlotys per head for delivery on schedule according to contract.
 - d. To grant advance payments on contracts to farmers who show a marked increase in production.
3. That, in order to promote increased production, a system of additional aid and reduction of land tax be initiated as follows:
- a. Suspension of regulations pertaining to increased taxation of specialized farming such as dairies and livestock farms.
 - b. Reduction in land tax according to the table below for private and cooperative farmers supplying hogs in normal trade at market prices and under contract.

Livestock deliveries beginning 1 February 1949 will be taken into consideration in establishing reductions.

Delivery Norms for Hogs in Kilograms per Farm

Farms by income groups (in quintals of rye) as basis for land tax levy	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Reduction in tax levy for 1949 in %
	Poznan	Warszawa		Olsztyn	
	Lublin	Katowice	Bialystok	Szczecin	
	Lodz	Bydgoszcz	Krakow	Gdansk	
		Kielce	Wroclaw	Rzeszow	
30 and Under 30	100	100	20	70	50
Over 30	140	120	110	100	40
" 40	160	140	130	120	25
" 50	180	170	150	140	22
" 60	220	200	180	170	21
" 80	250	240	220	200	16
" 100	340	300	260	240	13
" 120	400	360	320	280	11
" 150	480	430	400	350	10
" 180	560	520	480	420	8
" 250	700	650	600	580	7

Note 1. The proper administrative authorities, in conjunction with the Public Commission for Cooperation in matters of land tax, can reduce or increase the norms shown in columns under Regions I, II, III, IV for individual powiats by 10 percent provided the average norm for the entire wojewodztwo remains unchanged. The same procedure can be applied to individual villages, and within them, to individual farms.

Note 2. In computing the reduction in land tax, young pigs of 15 kilograms or less will be admitted at double their weight.

Note 3. The possession of an accredited boar entitles the farmer to a reduction in tax equal to the reduction for the delivery of one fattened hog weighing 100 kilograms.

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4. That, as an incentive to increased livestock production, a premium of 500 zlotys, in the form of an additional reduction in land tax, be given for each unit of increase in stock, at least 6 months of age, born in 1949 or in the last quarter of 1948. This applies to private and cooperative farms.

5. That the Central Meat Board fix official prices which would make livestock production highly profitable.

6. It is recommended that the Central Meat Board expand the purchasing organization founded on the village cooperative Samopoc Chlopska in order to create for the producer convenient terms for the sale of his livestock and to protect him from speculators.

7. The execution of this resolution is entrusted to the following ministries: Agriculture and Agricultural Reforms, Industry and Trade, and Finance and Public Administration.

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